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Axis To Quit Tunisia & Tripoli In Six Days?

ALLIES OCCUPY DJEDEIDA

Darlan Invests Fr. Resident General In Morocco With Special Powers

NEW YORK, November 30.

The Berne correspondent of the "New York Times" quotes semi-official Italian sources for the statement that Hitler convoked an extraordinary meeting of his High Command at Berchtesgaden to discuss future operations in Africa, while a simultaneous conference was held at Rome at which Gen. Mehring and Marshall Milch, commanders of the German Army and Air Forces in Tunisia attended.

Axis To Quit Tunisia?

Usually well-informed circles in Rome, which ridiculed Rommel's earlier belief that Alexandria was ready to fall are now openly predicting withdrawal of all Axis forces from Tunisia and Tripoli within six days.

ALLIES OCCUPY DJEDEIDA

LONDON, Nov. 30.

Allied Headquarters North Africa Communique states: "Fighting continued eastern side Djedeida. Allied bombers have made a night raid on the docks of Bizerta.

Djedeida is an important railway junction about 12 miles north-west of Tunis on the Tunis-Bizerta line. The occupation of Djedeida, therefore, represents a further Allied advance eastwards.

The Algiers radio says that a French submarine has reached Algiers from Toulon.

Fr. Somaliland For Allies?

It is learnt to-night that a considerable proportion of the French garrison at Jibuti has crossed the frontier into British Somaliland and that British officers are in touch with them. Further particulars are awaited.—Reuter.

Earlier

ALLIED THRUST TOWARDS SOUSE-GABES

LONDON, Nov. 30.

The German controlled Paris radio stated on Sunday night that fighting is going on in Souse-Gabes area.

The coastal sector between Suse, 25 miles south of Tunis, and Gabes in the Bay of Gabes is about 170 miles in length.

Allied detachments are thrusting towards this coastal region to cut off Axis forces reaching Tunisia from Tripoli.

MORE FRENCHMEN JOIN ALLIES

The Vichy radio quoting Jibuti said that a number of French soldiers and civilians have left Jibuti in French Somaliland to join the Allies.

M. BOISSON MEETS DARLAN

The Algiers radio states that the Governor-General of French West Africa M. Boisson arrived at the Maison Blanche aerodrome in Algiers shortly after midday.

M. Boisson was later received by Admiral Darlan.

The Vichy News Agency quotes a Morrocco radio reports that 230 Axis planes have been destroyed in the Tunis, Bizerta, Sfax area during the last few days.

SPECIAL POWERS FOR FR. COMMISSIONER

LONDON: The Morocco radio this morning announced that Admiral Darlan in his capacity of French High Commissioner and "by virtue of the powers conferred upon him by the Marshal of France and the head of the State" has issued an order stating that the "Commissioner Resident-General of France in Morocco is empowered to take directly by means of decrees all measures which in a time of peace in French Morocco would have depended on either French Law or decrees or regulations emanating from the French Government."

Toulon Scuttle And Hitler's Anxiety

(From Our Own Correspondent)

LONDON, Nov. 30.

Plans are being made for the trial of those responsible for scuttling the French Fleet. Hitler advised Petain not to tolerate another prolonged Riom trial.

END OF FIGHTING IN REUNION

LONDON, Nov. 30.

The Vichy radio announced that fighting has ceased in Reunion Island. The collapse of the French resistance on the Reunion Island followed a two-hour ultimatum to the Governor M. Aubert.

VICHY: It is officially announced that the Vichy French resistance in the Reunion came to an end at 07.45 G.M.T. to-day.

LULL IN LIBYA

Allied Air Raids On Tunis And Bizerta

CAIRO, Nov. 30.

To-day's Middle East joint war Communique states: "There is nothing to report from our land forces and air activity over Libya yesterday was on a reduced scale. A German fighter aircraft was shot down by ground fire.

AIR ATTACK ON TRIPOLI

Heavy bombers attacked shipping and harbour installations at Tripoli on the night of November 28|29. Bomb bursts were observed on moles and on electric power station. Tunis and Bizerta harbour were bombed on the same night and large fires were started. Yesterday our heavy bombers again attacked Tripoli in force. Direct hits were scored and fire started on a merchant vessel at the Spanish mole. Other fires and large explosions were started on quays.

RAID ON SEAPLANES AND TRAINS

Two Italian seaplanes were destroyed and other damaged yesterday when our two-engined fighters attacked them at mooring off the coast of Tripolitania. Other large enemy aircraft were damaged in combat. Two trains were also successfully attacked in Tunisia and enemy vehicles were strafed on the road leading to Tripoli. A small coastal steamer was attacked from low level and badly damaged.

COMISO 'DROME BOMBED

Two bombing attacks were carried out on Comiso aerodrome in Sicily. Enemy fighter interception was successfully repulsed.

From these extensive operations all our aircraft returned safely."

FIND OF TWO DEAD BODIES

BOMBAY, Monday.

Mystery surrounds the death of a person whose body was found lying on the rocks at Hornby Vellard Bombay this morning. It was stated that there were marks of injuries on the throat and a big gash in the abdomen of the dead person. The Agripada Police, who removed the body to morgue are making inquiries.

Another dead body was found lying in the tank at Hirji Mills at Fergusson Road this morning.

SEQUEL TO STABBING OF CONSTABLE

BOMBAY, Monday.

In connection with the stabbing of the police constable at Burrows Lane yesterday, the police have effected ten more arrests this morning. The constable, who is attached to the Princess Street Police Station, is stated to be progressing in the hospital.

R. A. F. Over Italy

Targets In Turin Bombed: Alert In Switzerland

LONDON, Nov. 30.

An Air Ministry Communique to-day says:

"Last night in bad weather a small force of our bombers attack ed targets at Turin, where the fires started on Saturday night were still burning.

Other bombers attacked railway communications in Belgium. Two of our aircraft are missing".

ALERT IN SWITZERLAND

ZURICH. An air-raid warning sounded in west Switzerland last night.

R. A. F. ATTACK ON MAGWE AERODROME

NEW DELHI, Nov. 30.

A joint war 'communique' of India command says:

Yesterday a formation of Royal Air Force. Fighters made a low-level cannon and machine-gun attack on the Japanese aerodrome at Magwe in Burma.

Aerodrome building was damaged. Casualties were inflicted on enemy personnel and a petrol dump was set on fire. Oil installations at Nyaughla near Magwe were also attacked a refine y and a wireless building were damaged. None of our aircraft is missing.—A. P.

ALLIED RAIDS TELL

LONDON, Nov. 30.

The German radio said today: "Fearing more air-raids the Siamese Government has asked all inhabitants whose presence in the capital is not essential to leave".

TEN KILLED IN 'PLANE CRASH

NEW YORK, Nov. 30.

Ten army fliers were killed when an air plane crashed and burned near Sioux city.—Reuter.

Hull's Call To Albanians

WASHINGTON: Mr. Cordell Hull appealed indirectly to the people of Albania to revolt against their Fascist masters who invaded their country on Good Friday in 1939 He said that it should be the high duty of every Albanian and good citizen to shoot on sight every Italian soldier on their soil depriving the people of their just rights and liberties.

Mr. Cordell Hull indicated that the United States Government was expecting an explosive development in Italy's internal situation. One should not be surprised to hear of serious unrest in various parts of the war-weary kingdom. Mr. Hull said.

Himmler's Rule For France?

MOSCOW, November 30.

A Geneva despatch to the Soviet News Agency says that the Gestapo Chief Himmler has left for Toulon.

The regime existing in the French occupied zone is to be extended to the former unoccupied region.

Stalin Greets Churchill

LONDON, November 30.

The first of a host of congratulatory birthday telegrams to reach Mr. Churchill is from Stalin to whom Mr. Churchill referred in his last night's broadcast.

Messages of good wishes and congratulations are pouring in on the Prime Minister from all parts of the world on the occasion of his sixty-eighth birthday today

The nation's sentiments were also expressed by the radio when the B.B.C. announcer before reading the morning news bulletins wished the Prime Minister "many happy returns" on behalf of listeners. Members of Mr. Churchill family, who are in London, called at his official residence at No. 10 Downing Street to see him but otherwise he spent a normal day with the Cabinet and other meetings and conversations

SMUTS' GREETING

PRETORIA:—Cabling birthday greetings to Mr Churchill today Gen. Smuts said:

"Salute and best wishes to the youthful veteran of 68, coupled with warm congratulations upon your brilliant war survey last night. I returned from my English visit confident that you in company with other grand leaders of the United Nations, will yet under Heaven's blessing lead us to one of the great victories in world history."

CHURCHILL'S SPEECH FOR AXIS NATIONS

Mr. Churchill's speech is being broadcast by the European service of the B.B.C. in 24 languages within 24 hours of its delivery. There will be at least two broadcasts in each language and Italy, Germany and France will hear it four or five times There will be 72 transmissions of the speech and points from it will continue to be broadcast to Italy, Germany and France throughout the week.—Reuter.

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His Vision Does Not Extend Beyond Europe

MADRAS, November 30.

In the course of comments on Mr. Churchill's broadcast: "The Hindu" says: "Stimulating as Mr. Churchill is when he is chronicling battles and debating strategic possibilities, the moment he comes to discuss world problems and conceptions of the new order he exhibits his limitations. His vision does not extend beyond Europe."—A. P.

GERMANS SCUTTLE SHIP IN SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC

Two Jap Destroyers Sunk Off New Guinea Coast

LONDON, Nov. 30.

Allied headquarters in the South-west Pacific:—It is believed here that the German ship which, as reported in a Communique, scuttled itself after a clash with the Allied naval forces, was of a converted liner or cargo vessel type possibly a supply ship for the German U boats sent to attack Allied shipping lines in the Indian Ocean.

A Communique to-day states: "BUNA GONA: We maintained pressure throughout the area by intensive patrolling, harassing artillery and mortar fire and intermittent bombing and strafing attacks by our air force. Our heavy bombers attacked an enemy naval force of four destroyers attempting to reinforce the Buna area, hitting two destroyers with 500 pound bombs. Both destroyers were set on fire and are believed to have been sunk. The remaining two destroyers fled northward.

LAE: A formation of our attack fighters surprised the aerodrome at dusk and dawn machine-gunning and bombing from a low altitude in the face of heavy anti-aircraft fire. Five enemy fighters in dispersal bays were destroyed by strafing. Direct hits were scored with bombs on two other planes. In addition bomb clusters burst in the midst of a group of eight aircraft, probably destroying or damaging all.

NAZIS SCUTTLE SHIP.

WESTERN SECTOR:. Our naval forces intercepted a German auxiliary of 8,000 tons. After hits by Allied gunfire the crew scuttled the ship and 78 Germans were captured.

TIMOR: Our medium bombers bombed buildings in the area of Maobisse. Our fighters strafed and set on fire huts and buildings in enemy occupied villages near Baucau.

KAVIENG: Our medium bombers raided the aerodrome and dropped explosives in aircraft dispersal bays.

MILNE BAY: Enemy aircraft raided the aerodrome during darkness causing no damage."

SYDNEY: A despatch from "somewhere in New Guinea" says Japanese Zero planes on Friday afternoon bombed and strafed Australian and United States casualty clearing stations near the Allied frontline on the Soputasananda track

Both were clearly marked with Red Crosses 18 feet by 12 feet on a white background.

Twenty were killed in the Australian station, five in the American with a greater number of wounded. Medical officers, orderlies and wounded men were among those killed.

INDIA LEAGUE INVITES SAPRU

To Give United States Authentic Picture Of Situation

NEW YORK, November 30.

The India League of America has invited Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru to visit the United States "to give an objective and authentic picture of the Indian situation."

Mr J. J. Singh, President of the League and a former member of the All-India Congress Executive Committee, who cabled Sir T B. Sapru on behalf of the League told Reuter: "The people of the United States are deeply interested in the political deadlock in India, which is threatening the success of the United Nations in Asia."

He added that Sir Tej could greatly help in clarifying the issue.—Reuter.

CALL FOR C. D. IN ITALY

LONDON, Nov 30.

A call to start Civil Disobedience in Italy has been secretly but widely circulated throughout the Duce's territories by the Italian Socialist Party.

The manifesto says that the time has not yet come for an open revolt or even a general strike but urges workers to pay taxes belatedly, sabotage or go slow in war factories and slow down transport, while peasants should refuse to hand over their harvest.

"The manifesto adds: "There will be victims but better live one day as a free man than a hundred years as a slave."

When Civil Disobedience reaches the vast masses it will become an irresistable force which will burst the dam of dictatorship."

"CHRONICLE" SUB-EDITOR ARRESTED

BOMBAY, Monday.

Mr. C. K. Narayanswami, a Sub-Editor of the "Bombay Chronicle", was arrested this morning under the Defence of India Rules. He was going along the by-lane near Evans Fraser when the arrest took place.

The "Chronicle" office was subsequently searched by Dpy. Inspector Sathani and Sub-Inspector Dastoor and some papers were taken possession of.

Dy Inspector Sathani, one of the officers who conducted the search was interested to see his own name with details of a case which he was investigating, appearing in one of the reporter's copy found scattered in the room.

Radio Transmitter Case Accused Discharged

Manukumar Mohanlal and Madhavji Sunderji who were arrested on the night of October 31 near Charni Road junction in a taxi for carrying a radio transmitter were directed to be discharged to-day by Mr. R. Mathalone, Presidency Magistrate, Third Court on an application made by the police.

Bhagvatilal Ratilal Choksey who was arrested on Sunday morning under Rule 35 of the Defence of India Rules was placed to-day before the Presidency Magistrate, 8th Court, Girgaum and remanded to police custody till December 1.

26 ARRESTED FOR ALLEGED STONE-THROWING

Following on throwing of stones 26 persons were arrested last night. The alleged rowdyism took place at Kelewadi, Girgaum.

SHOUTERS OF SLOGANS REMANDED

Vallabhdas Ranji Shah and Rajendra Shankar Dave who were arrested on Sunday morning at the junction of Sandhurst Road and Bhatwadi Road while they were shouting Congress slogans were placed to-day before the Presidency Magistrate, 8th Court, Girgaum and remanded to police custody till December 1.

TEST CRICKETER KILLED IN AIR CRASH

JOHANNESBURG November 30.

The South African test cricketer Lieut. A.B.C. Langton, of the South African Air Force has been killed in an air crash outside the Union.—Reuter.

WESTERN INDIA BEATS NAWANAGAR

JUNAGAD, Nov. 30.

Western India States Cricket Association won their match against Nawanagar in the Ranji Trophy tournament by eight wickets. Nawanagar in their second innings were all out soon after tea interval for 207 runs. Requiring 84 runs to win Western India States hit them up for the loss of two wickets.

Scores:—

Nawanagar (1st Innings)	225
W.I.S.C.A. (1st Innings)	346
Nawanagar (2nd Innings)	207

Nazi Troops Trapped In Stalingrad

Russian Forces Continue To Advance North-West

MOSCOW, Nov. 30.

Striking blow upon blow, the Russians are still advancing north-west of Stalingrad, despite all German attempts to stop them, the Moscow radio said to-day.

The Germans are vainly bringing up fresh reserves and launching frequent counter-attacks.

Red Army's Drive

The Red Army is still driving forward in Veliki Luki-Rzhev area and before Stalingrad. The spearhead of the force advancing west from Veliki Luki is to-day said to be at the gates of Novosokolniki, 60 miles from the Latvian border.

Other Soviet forces are menacing Nevel, 20 miles further south. Both are key towns on the main Leningrad-Kiev railway. Russian tanks and infantry are widening and deepening four gaps which have been torn in the massive German fortifications protecting the long German flank between Veliki Luki and Rzhev.

To-day's Soviet Midday "communique" states: "During the night of November 29 our troops in the area of Stalingrad and on the central front continued their offensives in the same directions as before."

ENEMY DEFENCE LINES BROKEN

A special Soviet 'communique' announced, "The offensive of our troops continues before Stalingrad. Our troops overcame enemy resistance and broke the enemy defence lines occupying four inhabited localities.

While pursuing the retreating enemy four more inhabited localities were captured.

On the Central Front the advance of our troops continues. Repelling German counter-attacks Soviet troops continued their successful advance and inflicted considerable losses on the enemy.

A number of inhabited localities have been recaptured. Fourthousand and eight hundred enemy bodies have been counted.

In Stalingrad area during the day, the number of prisoners increased by 3,000 thus bringing the total to 66,000."

COUNTER-ATTACKS REPULSED

The supplement to the Soviet "communique" reports the exchange of fire and scouting activity in the workers' settlement in Stalingrad.

German artillery and mortar batteries were destroyed and up to one German battalion was wiped out. In the southern outskirts of Stalingrad a Soviet unit cleared 12 German blockhouses and dugouts.

North-west of Stalingrad, the Russians having broken the new Axis line of defence on the eastern bank of the Don continued their advance and occupied an important fortified point.

South-west of Stalingrad, Soviet troops continued their successful offensive.

On the central front the Russians repulsed several German counter-attacks and occupied several inhabited localities and captured a German point of resistance".

NAZI RETREAT CUT OFF

Reuter's special correspondent at Moscow writes: Luftwaffe activity on the Rzhev-Vyazma front has increased during the past 24 hours and 13 German planes have been destroyed.

German infantry supported by tanks made numerous counter-attacks against Soviet garrisons in the recaptured areas but retreated in the face of an artillery barrage. The Russians then made a further advance. The railway line from Abganerovo to Kotelnikovo south-west of Stalingrad is congested with train loads of munitions, food and equipment abandoned by the Germans after mobile Soviet detachments had cut off their retreat by blowing up bridges on the track Through this scene of desolation, Soviet supply columns are pushing ceaselessly westwards.

GERMAN TROOPS TRAPPED

Reuters' special correspondent in Moscow wires:— Step by step, the Red Army is reducing the German strong-points and the large German groups trapped round Stalingrad The Germans are fighting back fiercely as they realise the desperation of their plight. One big German group in the area of an unnamed river north-west of Stalingrad hedged itself in with vast minefields and chains of anti-tank obstacles. After careful planning the Russians attacked from two sides and the Germans began to retreat to the south leaving their fortifications intact. They had not gone far before they were caught by another Soviet attack from the rear.

S. O. S. TO LUFTWAFFE

With all land communications cut, they sent back an S O. S. for supplies and reinforcements by transport plane. Red Air Force pilots are taking heavy toll of these lumbering Junkers machines.

CALL FOR SURRENDER

The Germans are now rushing up troops by air to aid their armies which are trapped between the Don and the Volga.

Around Stalingrad the Red Air Force has dropped thousands of leaflets over the encircled German troops telling them the real situation and advising them to cease useless resistance.—Reuter.

FIRST NAZI SOLDIERS FROZEN TO DEATH

MOSCOW: The hardships of the Russian winter are beginning to be felt in full force by the Germans. The first two German soldiers frozen to death in the second Russian war winter have been found in the trenches of the German 227th Regiment the 17th Division.

GREEK STEAMER SUNK

The Greek steamer "Evanthia" was torpedoed and sunk yesteray off the coast of Mozambique, says a Lourenco Marques dispatch. Thirty-two survivors have been landed

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JAP BOMBERS ARE TOO LATE

CHUNGKING, Nov. 30

One hour after the British Parliamentary party had left the place in their itinerary of war front tour, the Japanese heavily shelled the location pouring 73 shells into Chinese positions but the Parliamentarians had already passed the danger zone.

Dr. Wellington Koo accompanied the Parliamentarians on their trip to the front.—Reuter.

THREE TO HANG

NEW DELHI, Nov. 30.

Sardar Nawab Singh, special Judge, convicted three persons namely, Feroze Din, Hazara Singh and Jagat Singh under Secns 302-34 I.P.C. for the murder of police sub-inspector Mohammad Sherif on August 11 and sentenced each of them to death.

Alleged Contempt Of Court

(Before the Hon'ble the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Sen.)

Karsondas Tejpree Sampat ..... Applicant.

Versus.

Benjamin Guy Horniman, Printer and Publisher of "The Bombay Sentinel" on behalf of the Proprietors, the Bombay Associated Newspapers Ltd. ..... Respondent.

This was an application praying that a Rule be issued against the respondent for taking proceedings under the contempt of Courts Act 1926.

The applicant was being prosecuted before Mr. R. Mathalone, Presidency Magistrate, Bombay, for Criminal Breach of Trust under Section 406 of the Indian Penal Code by one M. R. Kasperkhan in respect of a race horse named "Al Muqbil" for the purchase of which it was alleged that Rs. 5,000 had been paid to the applicant. Whilst this case was proceeding before the Magistrate reports thereof appeared from time to time in the "Bombay Sentinel". The applicant submitted that the reports which appeared in that paper on the 20th November 1942 had a tendency to prejudice the fair trial of the suit 'inter alia' by reason of the head-lines and by reason of the fact that it reproduced a statement which the Magistrate had refused to take on file after hearing counsel on both sides.

Their Lordships admitted the application and ordered the issue of a Rule against the respondent.

Mr. S. T. Desai with Mr D. N. Deshpande instructed by Messrs. Tyabh Dadhyabhai and Co., appeared for the applicant.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 144(6) of the Indian Companies Act that a Notice, dated 25th November, 1942, has been received by the Company from a Shareholder that he will move the following Resolution at the Seventeenth Ordinary General Meeting of the Company to be held at Construction House, Ballard Estate, Bombay, on WEDNESDAY, the 16th December, 1942 at 3-45 P.M. (S.T.)

"Resolved that Mr. N. M. Raiji, B.A., F.S.A.A., R.A., be and is hereby appointed to do the continuous audit of the Company's accounts for the current financial year on a remuneration of Rs. 720|- (Rupees seven hundred and twenty only)".

For & on behalf of
THE HINDUSTAN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY LTD.,
B. D. SARDESAI,
Secretary.

Dated, 30th November, 1942. (2550)

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SHRI MAHAJAN ASSOCIATION LIMITED

NOTICE

EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all the members of the Association that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of this Association will be held in the Hall of Shri Mahajan Association at the end of an Ordinary Annual General Meeting of the Association to be held on Wednesday, the 23rd December, 1942, Magshar Vadi 1st of Samvat year 1999 at 10-30 a.m. (B.T.), to transact the following business:—

1. To cancel the Rules, Resolutions and By-laws relating to Teji-Mandi transactions and Survey (Parakh) Committee of the Association passed by an Extra-Ordinary General Meeting of Shri Mahajan Association Limited, which are in operation herebefore.

By Order of the Board,
HARGOVINDDAS UTTAMCHAND SHAH,
Treasurer.

Patwa Chawl, Moti Bazar,
Sheikh Memon Street,
Bombay, 30th November, 1942. (2544)

SHRI MAHAJAN ASSOCIATION LIMITED.

NOTICE

ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all the members of the Association that an ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of this Association will be held in the Hall of Shri Mahajan Association on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd December, 1942, Magshar Vadi 1st of Samvat year 1999 at 10-30 a.m. (B.T.) to transact the following business:—

1. To adopt and pass the Seventeenth Annual Report, and also the Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Account for the year ending Aso Vad 30th of Samvat year 1998 of this Shri Mahajan Association Limited.
2. To elect 17 seventeen members of the Board of Directors for the Samvat year 1999.
3. To elect eight members of the Arbitration Committee for the Samvat year 1999.
4. To appoint Auditors for the purpose of auditing the Accounts of this Association for the ensuing Samvat year 1999 and to fix their remuneration.

By Order of the Board,
HARGOVINDDAS UTTAMCHAND SHAH,
Treasurer.

Patwa Chawl, Moti Bazar,
Sheikh Memon Street,
Bombay, 30th November, 1942. (2545)

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned DAMODERLAL MANSINGH, JUGALKISHORE NAGARMAL and SHYAMSUNDER NAGARMAL, both minors by their paternal grandfather and natural guardian RAMKUMAR TANSUKHRAI, BHOLARAM GORDHANDAS, GOOTOOLAL CHAMARIA and KESHARDEO RAMVALLABH have from the 8th day of November, 1942, retired from the partnership firm of Govindram Seksaria of 18, Marwari Bazar, carrying on business at 18, Marwari Bazar, Bombay, and at other places in India and elsewhere. The business of Messrs. Govindram Seksaria of 18, Marwari Bazar, Bombay, will be continued by the remaining partners who will be entitled to recover all outstandings and who will discharge all liabilities of the firm.

Dated this 30th day of November, 1942.

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Sd. Prahladrai Brijlal,
Sd. ,
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Legal Notices

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ALL persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise, howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 24-26, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

ALL THAT piece or parcel of freehold land or ground (the cess whereof is now redeemed) with the messuages tenements or dwelling houses standing thereon situate, lying and being at the junction of Gokhale Road and Ranade Road Extension in the City, Island and Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 1027.61 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under New Survey Nos. 1479, 1480 and 1481 parts, Cadastral Survey No. 1560 of Mahim Division and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under G Ward Nos. 4358 (1A), 4258 (1B), and 4359 (1) and bearing Street Nos. 54 to 54B 29 to 29C (Ranade Raod Extension and Gokhale Road), 52 (Ranade Road Extension) and 719 (Gokhale Road) and bounded as follows that is to say, on or towards the East by 15 feet passage, on or towards the West by Gokhale Road (North), on or towards the North by the property of Bai Yamnabai widow of Vishwanath Narayan Bapat and others and on or towards the South by Ranade Road Extension.

Dated this 30th day of November, 1942.

DIVECHA & THAKORE,
Purchaser's Attorneys. 2548

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that our client has contracted to purchase the undermentioned property from THE CENTRAL BANK EXECUTOR AND TRUSTEE COMPANY LIMITED and NUSSERWANJI RUTTONJI MISTRY, the surviving executors and trustees of the Will of late SIR SORABJI NUSSERWANJI POCHKHANAWALA deceased. Any person or persons having any interest in or claim to the said property or any part thereof, by way of sale, exchange, mortgage, charge, gift, trust, inheritance, possession, lien, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby requested to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Whiteaway Laidlaw Building, 2nd floor, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise he, she or they will be precluded from making the same and such claim, if any, shall be deemed to have been waived.

SCHEDULE

ALL that piece of freehold land with the tenements dwelling house or bungalow standing thereon, situate on the road, leading from Camp to Kirkee in Civil Lines in the City of Poona in the registration Sub-District of Haveli, District Poona, admeasuring two thousand three hundred and eighty square yards registered under Survey No. 80 and in the books of the Poona Suburban Municipality under No. 193 and under present No. 10 Byramji Jijibhai Road and bounded, on the East by the property of Ibrahimbhai Hassumbhai deceased, on the West by the New Government Central Offices on the North by the property of the said Ibrahimbhai Hassumbhai deceased and on or towards the South by a Public road.

Dated this 1st day of December, 1942.

PATEL & EZEKIEL,
Purchaser's Attorneys. 2538

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Bombay, 30th Nov. 1942.

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Sunrise: 7-58 a.m. Sunset 6-58 p.m.
Higtide: 4-50, 17-24. Lowtide 11-54, 23-00
Municipal Standing Committee special meeting at 1-30 p.m. (B.T.).
Improvements Committee meeting at 2-30 p.m.

AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

METRO—"The Big Shot" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30
CAPITOL—"Reap the Wild Wind" 4 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Ten O'Clock" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
BROADWAY—"Ankh Michaoli" 4 30 7-15 and 10 p.m.
REGAL—"My Gal Sal" 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m'
SWASTIK—"Damaji" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30
LAMINGTON—"Ek-Raat" 4, 7 and 10 p.m
NEW WEST-END—"Churiyan" 5 7-30 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"The Fleet's In" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Basant" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
NOVELTY—"Vasant Sena" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
EDWARD—"Pardesi" 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
PALACE—"Louisiana Purchase" 4 6-30 and 10 p.m.
HIND-MATA—"Anjan" 4-15 7 and 9-45 p.m
STRAND—"They Died with their Boots on' 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m
AURORA—"Saboteur" 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CHITRA—"Har-Jeet" 4-15, 7 and 9-45 p m
SUPER—"Mamaji" 4-15, 7 and 9-45 p.m.
KOHINOOR—"Station Master" 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Mera Gaon" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Jawab" 4, 7 and 10 p.m
CITY LIGHT—"Jeevan Prabhat" 4-30 7-15 and 10 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Meenakshi" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
MINERVA—"Bhakta Kabir" 3-30 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
PARADISE—South of Pago Pago" 4-30, 6-45 and 10 p.m.

"WHY MARRY": Lecture by Mr. Fazal Ibrahim Rahimtoola, to-day (Tuesday), at 6 p.m. at the Recreation Club Mall, Kandi Moholia. Alhajja Khurshid K. Jairazbhoy will preside.

A MEETING OF THE FEDERATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN: Will be held at Wilson College House to-day (Tuesday), at 5-30 p.m. when Dr. Helen Hewat, recently repatriated from Manchuria, will speak on her experiences in Japanese occupied territory

GATHA SOCIETY: A public meeting of the Society will be held to-day (Tuesday), at 6 p.m. (S.T.) at K. R. Cama Oriental Institute, 136, Apollo St, Mr. B. T. Anklesaria, will give exposition in Gujarati on Gatha Vohu Khshathra (Yasna Ha 51) strophes 1. and 2.

THE BAHAI YOUTH GROUP: Under the auspices of The Bahai Youth Committee, a public lecture will be given by Mr. S. H. Koreshi on 'The Way out of the Communal Impasse' at Bahai Hall, above Purohit Hotel, Boribunder to-day (Tuesday), at 6-15 p.m. Mr. M.R.A. Baig, Sheriff of Bombay, will preside.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE NEWS

Lady Lumley presided at a meeting of the Committee of the United Nations Fete on Monday.

CYCLONE RELIEF CENTRE OPENED IN CITY.

A centre for collecting contributions in money and kind for the relief of the unfortunate victims of the cyclone disaster in Bengal has been opened at the office of the "Ananda Bazar Patrika" and "Hindusthan Standard" Ilaco House, Top Floor, Sir Pirozshah Mehta Road, Fort, Bombay. The generous public of Bombay is requested to do their bit to relieve suffering humanity in Bengal.

Akbar Achieved Strong National Unity

BOMBAY, Sunday.

In celebration of Quater-Centenary of Emperor Akbar the Great a public meeting was held at the Besant Hall, French Bridge, this evening. Diwan Bahadur Jhaveri presided.

Mr. K. G. Saiyidain, Director of Education, Kashmir State speaking paid homage to the great Mughal Emperor, and said that Akbar was the first king who dreamt of Indian National unity and tried to translate the dream into reality There were communal differences in his period and Hindus and Muslims looked upon each other as alien. The great Emperor tried to do away with this feeling, and he was successful in achieving his aims.

CONTINUING MR. SAIYIDAIN SAID THAT IT WAS OFTEN STATED THAT AT PRESENT IN INDIA THERE WERE A NUMBER OF GROUPS AND PARTIES, AND AMONG INDIANS MANY DIFFERENCES WERE EXISTING. NONE COULD DENY THIS. HINDUS AND MUSLIMS HAD GOT DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THEM BUT WE SHOULD NOT EXAGGERATE AND AGGRAVATE THEM LEST THEY SHOULD HAMPER THE NATIONAL UNITY.

If Hindus tried to abolish all that had been contributed by Muslims to the Indian culture, and if Muslims tried to build a separate nation ignoring what they had contributed to the common culture—both of them were bound to fail. Science and industries had linked the whole world together and therefore the tendency of separatism was against the very forces of Nature. Concluding the speaker said, "To-day there is such an imperative need in India for a strong National unity and we look back to the days of the great Emperor Akbar who had the only mission in life—and that was to see India united and peaceful.

REMOVED MUTUAL DISTRUST

DR. D. G. VYAS SPOKE ON AKBAR'S INFLUENCES ON INDIAN CULTURE. HE SAID THE EMPEROR TRIED TO REMOVE MUTUAL DISTRUST AND UNITED HINDUS AND MUSLIMS IN EVERY WALK OF LIFE. HE WAS A SEEKER AFTER TRUTH.

Arts, especially music, painting and architecture entered upon a new phase and acquired a distinctly national character during the period of great Mughal Emperor. He developed the system of Indian culture. Had Akbar not paid his attention towards Indian Art and culture, both the things would have been nowhere.

Diwan Bahadur Jhaveri paid homage to Emperor Akbar. He said the great Emperor had not only dreamt but had achieved the unity of India. He realised that without unity between Hindus and Muslims there could be no peace.

AKBAR QUATER-CENTENARY: Public Lecture with lantern slides by Mr. R. G. Gyani on Moghul Architecture with special reference to Akbar at 6-30 p.m. to-day (Tuesday), at University Building (South Wing).

Rev. Dr. J. McKenzie will preside Mohaira at 9 p.m. at Saboo Siddick Hall, Byculla. President: Dr. Abdul Hamid Kazi, Poets: Nahir-ul-Quadri, Hirman Siddiqui, Asghar Mirza Baqi Jairagpuri, Dr. Abdul Majid Khan and Ors.

AKBAR QUATER-CENTENARY

Concerts Of Classical Music And Dances

Two concerts of classical music and dances in connection with Akbar Quater-Centenary celebrations on December 7 and 8 will be held at 5-30 p.m. at Sunderbai Hall. Eminent musicians and dancers will participate with them.

Ustad Faiyaz Khan of Baroda, Ustad Hafzalikhan (Sarod) and Ustad Raja Bhaiya of Gwalior (through the courtesy of H. H. the Maharaja of Gwalior); Roshanara Begam, Ustad Vilayat Husseinkhan and Kumar Gandharva of Bombay.

Dances: Shri Achebhan Maharaj and his pupils.

Tickets Rs. 10, 7, 5, 3, and 2. Can be had from the Mughal Art Exhibition Convocation Hall between 2 and 7 p.m. Prof. Devdhar's School of Indian Music, Sandhurst Bridge. Patel Brothers 432 Kalbadevi Road.

The proceeds of the concerts will be utilised for publication of the Akbar Quater-Centenary commemoration volume.

SAVARKAR

AHMEDABAD, Nov 30.

The Gujarat Provincial Hindu Mahasabha has unanimously elected Mr. V. D. Savarkar as President of the forthcoming session of the Hindu Mahasabha to be held at Cawnpore.—A. P.

Bengal Minister Meets Bombay Governor

BOMBAY, Nov. 30.

The Hon. Khan Bahadur Maulvi Hashem Ali Khan, Minister to the Government of Bengal, who came here yesterday in connection with some official business had an interview with His Excellency the Governor of Bombay at 3 p.m. today. The "United Press" learns that the Hon. Minister had discussions with His Excellency about the co-operative and industrial movement in the Bombay Presidency and various other topics. Directed by the Governor the Director of Industries took the Minister to the Government Industrial Depot and showed him the various small scale industrial products. The Hon. Minister was highly pleased with the handloom cotton industries, sandal wood works and leather works.—U. P.

Flag Salutation At Vile Parle

(From Our Correspondent.)

VILE PARLE, Nov. 30.

The monthly flag salutation took place on Sunday morning at Gandhi Chowk when over a hundred persons were present.

High Court

DEATH SENTENCE CONFIRMED

(Before the Hon'ble the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Sen.)

A young military sepoy alleged to be a deserter was sentenced to death by the Sessions Judge of Dhulia for the murder of the police patil of Gondur. The case came up before their Lordships for confirmation of the death sentence when the accused exercised his right to challenge the conviction itself.

The police patil of Gondur who had been in search of the alleged deserter came across the accused on 6th May last and called upon him to surrender. The accused then fired two shots at the police patil from the revolver and ammunition which he still had with him. The patil died as a result of the injuries.

The accused appealed on the ground that he was lost and had fired because a crowd chased him and pelted stones at him.

Their Lordships dismissed the appeal and confirmed the sentence of death passed on him on the ground that there was no legal ground for them to interfere though it was open for the Government to commute the sentence if it thought fit. In their Lordships' opinion the conduct of the accused was to say the least, most reckless, because he risked killing the patil to save himself.

Mr. P. S. Bakhale appeared for the accused.

The Government pleader, Mr. B. G. Rao appeared for the Crown.

Bombay Choral And Philharmonic Society's Concert

The Second Chamber Music Concert of the Society on Monday evening at the C. J. Hall proved to be another creditable venture by the Society. As the only Choral Society in Bombay that gives public concerts we feel disappointed when the voices do not figure on the programme as in this case, so the Society's announcement of a X'mas concert on the 28th December with voices is most welcome.

Of the three instrumental items on the programme, The Pianoforte Quartet Opus 47 of Schumann was rendered with more expression and feeling, the strings and the piano blending in complete harmony. The Finale of Beethoven's famous Kventzes Sonata was more brilliant than the other movements.

Mr. Phiroze Tata came right upto expectations and his bass with distinct enunciation and control and was heard to best advantage in Schubert's "Lime Tree" and in the encore piece "Because".

The concert was distinctly a creditable effort and the Society is to be congratulated for the same.

WOMAN SUSTAINS FATAL BURNS

BOMBAY, Monday.

Suspecting his wife of infidelity one Laxmishankar Chathurbhuj, of Masjid Siding Road is said to have locked her up in a room and set fire to her 'sari', on Sunday afternoon.

She was removed to the G. T. Hospital, in a dying condition and she succumbed at night.

The man has been arrested.

BOMBAY HOCKEY LEAGUE

In a long and disappointing period of 60 minutes, The Reserve Bank drew with St Xavier's College "B" in division II of the Bombay Hockey League, neither side scoring in spite of several opportunities.

To-day's Game: Bombay City vs. "Times of India" "B"

Bombay Boxing

The Bombay Presidency Amateur Boxing Federation is staging its annual Boxing Tournament at the Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall commencing from the 2nd instant.

The contests should have more than the usual interest as a number of service men are participating.

WAR FUND CRICKET ENDS IN DRAW

LAHORE, Nov. 30.

The War Fund Cricket match ended in draw.

The Punjab University in their second innings made 137 for four wickets.—A.P.

ALLEGED STABBING

BOMBAY, Monday.

While a restaurant keeper of Nagpada was counting cash at the tiller of his shop on Sunday afternoon a dismissed servant is alleged to have stabbed him thrice in the back with a clasp knife as a result of which he had to be removed to the hospital.

He was arrested by the police and put up for remand at the Mazagaon Police Court, this morning when he was granted bail.

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CHURCHILL'S BROADCAST

A critic of Mr. Winston Churchill once remarked in Parliament that if and when there was any good war news to report he would take the opportunity of doing so promptly and in person. That was, of course, not entirely correct and, perhaps, a little unkind, too. But in any case Mr. Churchill had good justification for broadcasting on Sunday evening. He did have welcome developments to report to the entire world although the world had been aware of them for some time. Important events have taken place in widely separated areas of the European and African theatres of war which definitely constitute the prelude to big things, and, in this connection, we are glad to note that the British Prime Minister paid well-deserved tributes to the Russians and the French. They no less than Generals Alexander and Montgomery have made it possible to look forward to significant happenings in the immediate future, particularly in the Mediterranean. Herein lies the importance of Mr. Churchill's speech. Tributes, self-congratulations and a sober deprecation of complacency apart, Mr. Churchill gave a grave warning to the people of Italy as to what was in store for them in a very short time. Coupled with this warning was an insistence that one man, Signor Mussolini, alone was responsible for the present plight and the prospective perils of Italy. Was that a hint that Italians should now assert themselves and get out of the war? Above all, was that hint a deliberate outcome of some reasonable expectation that the Italians are ready to receive it?

There is one point in Mr. Churchill's broadcast which is of special interest and even significance to this conutry. Referring to the "British Empire," the British Premier allowed with condescending indulgence any one, who so desired, to call it the British "Commonwealth of Nations" but, he, Mr. Churchill, was proud, so he implied, of the "Empire." Mr. Churchill's preference for a word which involves co-existence of sovereign and slave countries cannot be dismissed as unimportant. He believes in a British Empire; therefore, he believes in the continued maintenance of dependencies of Britain which give meaning to the words "British Empire". Mr. Churchill's defiant challenge, hurled at well-meaning democrats of the world from the Mansion House that he would hold what belonged to the British, is now clear. Quite clear also is an otherwise very curious omission in Mr. Churchill's speech. Referring to the possibility of a prolongation of the war against China, Mr. Churchill promised that he would "bring all our forces to the other side of the world to the aid of the United States, to the aid of China and, above all, to the aid of our kith and kin in Australia and New Zealand." There is no mention of India, Burma and Malaya. Why? Because no mention was necessary, they are naturally to be "aided" as the territories which constitute the "Empire" and which Mr. Churchill's Britain means to hold as heretofore.

India, One Nation

In the course of his convocation address to the students of the Patna University Sir Mirza Ismail said: "To me, India one nation, is a most inspiring thought and a most reasonable one. This is the land of all of us, to whatever race or creed we may belong. It is our absolute duty to forge all this diversity into a single comprehensive state, within which there shall be absolute liberty for each composing element and absolute justice, and confidence of justice between them." Racial, religious and cultural divergences among the communities inhabiting countries like the United States of America, Canada or Switzerland, have not come in the way of the peoples of these countries forging a single-nationhood and ensuring absolute liberty for each community and creating confidence of justice for one and all. One fails to see why this should be impossible of attainment in India.

For those in this country who still feel really apprehensive that the distinctive cultures of some of the minorities stand in danger of being overwhelmed by the cutures of the major community or communities, the elimination of such danger would not be an impossible task, if the leaders of the various communities, particularly the level-headed and patriotic elements among them, put their heads together and devise means to safeguard the rights and liberties of all the sections of the people, in the same way as patriots in all civilized countries outside India have done. It is preposterous to suggest that India is the only country in the world where national unity in the political field cannot be achieved. Such a suggestion may commend itself to reactionaries of the type of Messrs. Churchill and Amery, who cherish the foolish belief that it is the "divine" right of their countrymen to control in perpetuity the destinies of the millions who inhabit India.

Sir Mirza Ismail has rightly pointed out that the universities in this country can play an effective part in bringing about national unity through the fusion of the divergent cultures. "There are curricular changes that would help", he observed, "there are ways too, outside the curriculum; but, above all, this is a matter of attitude on the part of those who teach.' The dispassionate study of cultures other than that of one's own community and the attitude of respect towards other cultures, which such a study will engender, should be encouraged by the teachers—instead of the highly inflamed and distorted views of Indian history which some of them, unfortunately, have been latterly in the habit of imparting to the student world under their charge.

Why Not An Indian?

The announcement that Mr. William Patrick Spens, K.C., M.P., has been appointed as Chief Justice of India in succession to Sir Maurice Gwyer raises the pertinent question as to how long the British Government mean to keep prize-posts in India, like the one in question, as the special preserve of Britishers. Looking to the attainments and public career of Mr. Spens, we can say without the least exaggeration that at least a few dozen Indians can, at any moment, be found in this country who would outshine the favourite of the British Government in point of either legal and professional attainments or record of public service. Why then has the Churchillian Cabinet sought to cast a slur on Indians by ignoring the just claims of members of the legal and judicial professions in India? The appointment is nothing short of such a slur and will be viewed as such by all self-respecting Indians. There is very little in Mr. Spens's public career, so far as we can see, to justify his appointment at the head of the Indian judiciary. One wonders whether his party affiliations—we are told that he is the Conservative member of Parliament for Ashford (Kent)—have had anything to do with his selection. Messrs. Churchill and Amery can be trusted to safeguard the vested interests of both their party and the 'Empire'. Was it not Mr. Churchill who assured the world the other day that he had not taken up the job of premiership to liquidate the British Empire and that he and his Government were determined to hold what was theirs?

ENCROACHMENT ON INDIAN TRADE INTERESTS

The Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber have sent the following telegram to the Government of India, Department of Commerce, on the 26th inst.:—

"Attention of the Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber is drawn to the proposal of the East African Government to form a corporation known as Utility Textile Importing Corporation to be given the monopoly of importing from India textiles popularly in use in that country.

The committee strongly opposed, in principle, to any such system of monopoly as the same, even in normal times and circumstances, will prejudicially affect bona-fide trade and producing interests. The committee apprehend serious reactions on Indian cotton producer and the cotton textile manufacturer on account of proposed step.

Membership of the said Corporation will be confined to previous importers with prescribed shares and others approved by East African Government. It is further proposed that the Corporation would be allowed to import only specified and standardised varieties in order to facilitate price control. The Committee strongly protest against this encroachment on Indian trade interests built up after years of hard and pioneer labuor.

While they recognise that the East African Government entitled to take reasonable steps for preventing profiteering, the Committee emphatically urge that no attempts should be made in the name of protecting consumers' interests to put fetters round existing channels of trade in a manner which would involve injustice to established business interests. The Committee cannot help recalling the Zanzibar parallel wherein in so-called growers interests, it was sought to create monopoly for handling of cloves. But for timely and emphatic protests made by Indians, clove trade would have gone completely out of their hands. The Committee request Government to be pleased to represent matter to East African Government with a view to the proposal being abandoned."

Frankly Speaking

Japs Reoccupy Attu

The Japanese are reported by Washington to have reoccupied the Attu Island in the Aleutians which they had evacuated several weeks ago. The fact that the Americans had not followed the Japs into it showed that they did not regard it worth while to establish themselves in the Island. From the point of view of immediate American strategy in the Pacific, the Attu Island is perhaps unimportant. With the opening of the Alaskan highway the Japanese in Kiska and Attu have ceased to constitute any aggressive threat to the Americans. Nevertheless U. S. inactivity in the Aleutians which has resulted in Jap reoccupation of Attu is a disappointment. For it shows that the Americans do not plan to take the offensive themselves in that region. Yet it is from the Aleutians that the Americans, after ejecting the Japs, will strike the first blows against Japan proper.

Buna Battle

News from the south-west Pacific is on the contrary fairly satisfactory. The Japs pinned against the sea in the Gona-Buna area are offering stubborn resistance contesting bitterly every yard of ground and thus bringing General MacArthur's advance almost to a standstill. But this was very fully expected. Realising the vital importance of their hold on Buna the Japs were certain to fight desperately for it. They are doing so. What is more they are persisting in their costly efforts to reinforce the garrison. But the point is that they have lost a far greater proportion of men and material during these efforts than they have succeeded in landing. And they have lost over ten warships, too, in the last ten days alone. This constitutes by itself a painful blow to Japan whose navy is being crippled rapidly and seriously. If, as we believe, General MacArthur is strong enough eventually to wear down Jap resistance in Buna, the Japanese are in only for further grievous losses. And they would be quite welcome.

Country Craft Traffic

It has taken a world-war—or rather two world-wars!—for the Government to realise that there is such a thing as a country craft industry in this country and that it requires encouragement and organisation. We cannot say much about the experience of the people of the provinces bordering on the Bay of Bengal, but it is no exaggeration to state that the curtailment of mercantile marine traffic and travel has greatly affected the trade of coastal towns of Western India and subjected the people of the coastal districts to no small hardship and loss. When Government decided on requisitioning steamships for war purposes, they should have simultaneously realized the urgent necessity of the organisation and development of the country craft industry to cope with the situation that would arise immediately. But little was done to minimise the inconveniences of the people. It is some consolation that at last the Government are getting alive to the needs of the situation. Dr. Sorley and Rao Bahadur Maneklal Lallubhai were, fortunately, the right type of men entrusted with the enquiry and let us hope the Central Government will now at least show sufficient interest in the development of the country craft industry and plan not only to meet the requirements of the situation created by the war but for post-war times, too.

Anglo-American Technical Mission

NEW DELHI, Nov. 30.

The Anglo-American Technical Mission appointed to investigate port and shipping conditions on the west coast of India and in other countries overseas are understood to have completed their report.

Besides ports on the west coast some members of the mission examined also the Calcutta port. The mission have been in Delhi for about a week now, drafting their report.—A. P.

Dak Bungalows And School Buildings Set On Fire

Five Years' Jail And Fine For Gandhi Ashram Inmates

(THROUGH A. P. & U. P.)

DHARWAR, Nov. 30.

It is reported that the Dak bungalows at Belvaniki and Elparatti were set on fire.

A postal runner was attacked between Teredhalli and Mallur and the mail bag forcibly removed from him. Two letter boxes in Davangere are reported to have been removed.

Some explosive materials were thrown in the letter box at the Hubli railway station as a result of which a few letters were damaged.

Two primary schools, one at Tirlapur and another in Murgod Mahal were set on fire. Furniture and records were damaged.

Boy Killed In Bomb Explosion

DHARWAR, November 30. One boy aged about ten was killed as the result of a bomb explosion which occurred here yesterday near Saptapur Railway level crossing about a mile from Dharwar station.

It is stated that the boy of the railway gate-keeper mistook the bomb for a plaything, and while he was playing with it the bomb exploded.

The boy suffered serious injuries and later died in hospital.—A. P.

FOR MANUFACTURE OF CRUDE BOMBS

KOLHAPUR: Five students were taken into custody following vigorous search by the police and subsequent recovery of objectionable literature and papers containing, it is stated, formulae for manufacture of crude bombs.

Five workers of the Kolhapur Praja Parishad were arrested for an attempt to picket the residence of the Hon'ble Resident.

BHAVNAGAR, Nov. 30: An unexploded bomb was found in the head post office here. The police took possession of the bomb.

KAIRA, Nov. 30: It is revealed that till now 92 cases of attempts to rob postal runners, loot posts and burn letter boxes have occurred in the Kaira District.

ALMORA: Mr. Balwant Singh, Special Magistrate, Almora, has convicted and sentenced thirteen persons of Katyur and Boraran, Almora district, including five inmates of Shri Gandhi Ashram, Chanauda, to five years' rigorous imprisonment and to pay a fine of Rs. 200 each for setting on fire a resin depot.

In Gujarat

SURAT, Nov. 30.— Two persons of the village of Vedchi have been arrested in Katargand under the D. I. R. while distributing unauthorised leaflets. Five persons have been sentenced to three months' R. I. each under the D. I. R. for leading an illegal procession at the village of Rander.

A person arrested at Olpad on the same charge has been sentenced to three months' R. I.

JHALOD: Two students of the Jhalod "Bhilsewa Mandal" were arrested for taking out an unauthorised procession and delivering objectionable speeches.

In Maharashtra

RATNAGIRI: A student of the George High School, Vengurla, who was recently prosecuted and released on bail on charges of distributing objectionable leaflets was arrested for the same offence.

According to a Vijayadurga report three persons were arrested for taking out an unauthorised procession.

A report has been received that three persons were arrested in connection with the mail-motor robbery on the Kolhapur-Ratnagiri Road. It is stated that some suspicious articles and arms have been seized from the persons.

DHULIA: Nine persons have been convicted and sentenced to terms of R. I. varying from three to ten months and to payment of fines from Rs. 25 to Rs. 50 for causing damage to property.

Acquitted Accused Rearrested

FARIDPUR, Nov. 30.

The Special Magistrate of Faridpur under the Criminal Courts Ordinance passed judgment in the Gossairhat Post Office case acquitting Sj. Manoranjan Ganguly, the principal accused according to prosecution, and convicting four others.

Of those convicted Nakuleshwar Chakrabarty and Kalachand Mali were sentenced to R. I. for 18 months and to pay a fine of Rs. 100 each in default six months' R. I more and Surendra Nath Das and Paresh Chandra Saha were sentenced to R. I. for one year and to pay a fine of Rs. 50 each, in default to suffer R. I. for three months more.

The four convicted persons made confessions which they subsequently retracted.

Immediately after his acquittal Sj. Manoranjan Ganguly was rearrested under Rule 129 of the D. I. R.

SYLHET: Sj. Sasanka Ghose, a prominent Congress worker of Maulvibazar, has been sentenced to one year's R. I. under the D.I.R.

Two youngmen who were arrested at Fenchuganj in connection with the cutting of telegraph wires have been discharged.

CONTAI, Nov. 30.— The President, Union Board No. 10, P. S. Ramnagar, was arrested. He lost 21 members of his family in the cyclone of October 16 last.

CALCUTTA: Orders under the D I. R. have been published in the Gazette against nine persons including Mr. Niharendu Dutt Majumdar, directing them to appear within 15 days before the District Magistrate concerned, as there is reason to believe that they are concealing themselves so that orders of detention issued in respect of them under Clause (b), sub-Rule 1 of Rule 26 of the D. I. R. cannot be executed.

In U. P.

Collective Fines

LUCKNOW, Nov 30.

Collective fines amounting to Rs. 31,929/- have been imposed on the inhabitants of certain villages in the districts of Fatehpur, Ghazipur, Gorakhpur, Azamgarh and Muttra in connection with sabotage or in the abetment of sabotage during the present disturbances.

SEARCH AND ARRESTS IN CALCUTTA

CALCUTTA: The special branch police searched one place in the city and arrested three persons today. They are alleged to have seized some incriminating leaflets and documents in the course of the search.

FIRE IN LETTER-BOX

LUCKNOW:—Sixty-five letters are reported to have been burnt or damaged when an attempt was made to set fire to a letter-box. A piece of rope was found burning inside the post-box. Incendiarism is suspected. The C.I.D. searched two houses in the City in this connection.

Creator Of An Age And Moulder Of A Nation

"The Nine Gems of Akbar" was the theme of a learned paper read by Rao Bahadur G. S. Sardesai at the lecture hall of the University School of Economics and Sociology on Monday evening.

Prof. N. A. Nadvi read another paper written by Sir Jadunath Sarkar on "Akbar's place in history" at the same meeting.

The meeting was part of the programme of the Akbar quater-Centenary celebrations. Swami Sambudhananda presided over the meeting.

Rao Bahadur Sardesai in the course of his paper said that the expression "nine gems" of Akbar's court was a creation of popular fancy. Neither the actual names nor the exact number of these gems or helpmates of Akbar could be accurately set down. During his long reign various workers and officials stuck to him through weal and woe and were afterwards profusely rewarded by him. Of these, Bairam Khan, Abul Fazl, Abul Faizi, Raja Mansing, Raja Todar Mal, Raja Birbal, Mulla Do-pyaza, Tan-sen, Hakim Humam and Badauni, were specially enumerated by tradition.

A POLITICAL NECESSITY

After sketching the historical background in which Akbar had to function, Rao Bahadur Sardesai stated that Akbar was led by his situation like a practical man of business, to develop a remarkable sentiment of self-reliance, questioning and hearing all who were about him but trusting to no one's judgment if it did not satisfy his own conscience. Like every great ruler the final decision upon which he would act in any affair of state or personal conduct came to be entirely his own. How to make his rule strong, permanent and beneficial, became a passion of his life; to this purely political necessity he subordinated all other concerns.

After sketching the lives and character of the men named above who assisted Akbar in his task, Rao Bahadur Sardesai said that one may be sure, however that Akbar entertained many more gems of similar character in various spheres of his vast empire to whom all, in fact, he owed his greatness. These nine gems with the central figure of Akbar form a complete picture of varied shades and charming colours. Akbar alone without them would look bald and insipid. Likewise these human gems scattered about without their patron to string them together, would appear lifeless.

In conclusion he said:—"The splendour of Akbar's reign can become visible to us and show how one man can change history for all ages. Does not India even now possess such gems? Yes, she does; but there must be another Akbar to notice and work them into the nation's service."

CREATOR OF AN AGE

Sir Jadunath Sarkar in the course of his paper stated that to Akbar belonged the glory, shared by few in the world's history of being the creator of an age. At the time of his birth an unmistakable retrogression was at work in state and society. On such a scene appeared an unlettered lad of 13, who after his hurried coronation had to spend five years under the tutelage of his regent and his foster-mother. But thereafter he showed unmistakably what he meant to do. He turned Indian History into a new channel; he took first step, a long and bold step, towards modernising the country.

He secularised the state and for the first time infused into it the modern spirit of rationalism and experiment and progress.

FOR COMMON NATIONHOOD

Akbar did not stop with the mere annexation of neighbouring kingdoms, but gave to all parts of his vast empire, internal peace, compactness through administrative uniformity and a higher culture with a glimmering sense of a common nationhood. Akbar's annexations were followed by administrative consolidation. Subah-dars replaced Sipah-Salars. Besides administrative uniformity, Akbar introduced one official language, one legal currency and one official era. Thus was taken a long step towards uniting India into a nation.

Peace and growth of wealth having thus been assured, Akbar's court became the centre of intellectual life and the source of light for the whole country.

Akbar set out to modernise the state on the basic principles of universal toleration without the Government indentifying itself with the championship and propaganda of any particular religion, the equality of all subjects before the law and the principle of 'careers open to talent' in Public Service.

Mr. I. B. Patel proposed a vote of thanks.

HOW LONDON STOOD NAZI BLITZ

Official Record Of Civil Defence In Britain's Capital

LONDON, Nov. 30.

The official secrets of London's air bombardment and later provincial 'blitzes', together with the inspiring story of how civilian heroism withstood the ordeal are revealed in a book giving the official record of the Civil Defence entitled "Frontline 1940-41", issued by Mr. Herbert Morrisson, Minister of Home Security.

The book reveals that in three months from September 1940 36,000 bombs fell on London and nearly 13,000 people were killed. The capital was bombed for 57 consecutive nights. In eleven months not counting incendiaries between 45 and 50 thousand bombs hit London of a total weight of about 7,500 tons. In the first 21 days London's newly-trained firemen four-fifths of whom had never seen a fire were called on nearly 10,000 times. In nine months 1,150,000 London homes were damaged and 375,000 people made homeless.

During the whole air attack on Britain 190,000 bombs were dropped, 43667 civilians killed and 50,387 seriously injured.

Sixty-five thousand of Portsmouth's 70,000 houses were damaged.

It was the Civil Defence Army, numbering a million and a half of whom four-fifths were part-time volunteers and nearly a quarter were women, which kept the enemy at bay. The British people taught the enemy two lessons, namely, the Battle of Britain and the defeat of his air bombardment, author declares "no modern city has subjected to such an ordeal and survived, yet of 3,200,000 people in Inner London at the peak of the Blitz only 300,000 used public shelters and in one month only 23 neurotics were admitted to hospital."

Nanak's Birthday In London

(From Our Own Correspondent)

LONDON, Nov. 30.

Over 150 Indians, a majority of them were Sikhs, were present at the celebrations of the Guru Nanak birthday at the local Sikh Gurudwara in London, including Sir Azizul Huq, Sir Harising Gour.

After prayers, and recitals of scriptures prasad was distributed and a cosmopolitan company was treated to luncheon.

WILLIAM SPENS

(From Our Own Correspondent)

LONDON, Nov. 30.

Mr. William Spens who succeeded Sir Hugh O'Neil in 1939 as chairman of 1922 Committee, was recently appointed chairman of the National Vegetable Marketing Committee to control marketing of onions and carrots. He has also been director of the southern railway.

Parsi Manifesto

Mr. B. F. Bharucha writes:—

We welcome the clear-cut democratic declaration of the Nationalist Parsis to the effect, that their aims, interests and demands are indentical with those of their sister communities, and of patriotic bodies in this country. That they stand for the Unity and Freedom of India; and as such, they demand immediate release of National Leaders, and early resumption of negotiations for the Freedom of our dear Motherland. In fine, they all affirm, with one voice:—"HINDUSTAN HAMARA".

May I suggested to the sponsors of this Manifesto to forward copies thereof to the Governor of Bombay, the Viceroy, the S. of S., and to Mr. Attlee, the Deputy Premier, as also to the Leaders of all the parties in India:—The Hindu Maha Sabha, the Muslim League, the Sikha League, the Harijan Sangh and the Indian Christian Association; and also to Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru, the President of the No-Parties' Conference.

May I also urge on the sponsors of the Manifesto to organise, the more vocal and active in promoting intercommunal unity, and propagation of Swadeshi for "Hindustan Hamara".

WASHINGTON: More than five million dollars worth of civilian goods have been purchased under the Lease-Lend programme for early shipment to French North Africa.

TÊTE-A-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT

When I was leaving the Kremlin in the middle of August, I said to Premier Stalin, 'when we have decisively defeated Rommel in Egypt I will send you telegram'; and he replied, 'When we make our counter-offensive here, and he drew an arrow on the map. 'I will send you one.' Both messages have duly arrived.

—Mr. Churchill.

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A British paper suggests that the choice of Lord Linlithgow's successor is likely to be a surprise and that it may result in further changes in the British Government.

Sir John Anderson? But then that would be no "surprise."

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Inspired by recent bell ringing victories Mr. Churchill announces his conviction that "we (the British) shall be reserved for further service in the vanguard of mankind."

A la 1919?

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Mr. Churchill has pronounced the solemn pledge that in case the war ended in Europe before it did in Asia, "Britain" would go with all her resources to the assistance of the U.S.A., China and, above all, "our kith and kin" in Australia and New Zealand.

You would notice the omission of India, Burma, Malaya, etc. And you might wonder. But don't.

These territories which make the "Empire" have not been forgotten. Oh no. They count. And they count vitally.

In fact, they constitute an integral part of Britain. Hence it would have been absurd to mention them apart as if the defence of India, Burma, etc., was something different even as a polite fiction, from the defence of Britain.

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Mr. Churchill has graciously permitted naive enthusiasts in Britain to call a certain well known accidental conglomeration of territories as the "British Commonwealth."

But so far as he is concerned he regards it as what it is he good old "British Empire" and, of course, Mr. Winston Churchill the would-be winner of world War II (Roosevelt and Stalin and Chiang permitting) is determined to hold what he insists is his own.

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In Mr. Wendell Willkie's opinion, "Mr Churchill's report on what Great Britain and the commonwealth have accomplished was masterly."

It was also the report of the master of an "Empire."

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Mr Willkie however, also drew attention to the post-war problem of the Middle East and Asia.

Aye there's the rub.

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A Royal Artillery subaltern tells a British weekly that "my admiration for Indians increases daily."

So does Mr. Churchill's clinging admiration for India and he wouldn't mind letting the world know about it.

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Rome denies the rumour that Il Duce has himself taken over the command of his gallant "legions" in Libya.

We believe Rome. For one thing Il Duce would not care to be far from, say, Switzerland. You never know, you know.

Midnapore Cyclone Relief

Swami Sambuddhananda, President, Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama, Khar, Bombay thankfully acknowledges the receipts of the following contributions for the Ramakrishna Mission Cyclone relief works in Bengal and Orissa:—

The total receipts amount to Rs. 11,082/-

Messrs. Darvesh & Co. Rs. 5,000; The Bengal Cyclone Relief Fund Committee, Bombay, Rs. 1,000; N. M. Mazumdar Charity through Mr. B. M. Mazumdar (including Rs. 300 for Sind Relief) Rs 700; Dr. Sir Mangaldas Mehta Rs. 501; The Medical and ship staff of the H. S. Karapara (through Capt Madhava Rao) Rs. 300; A Friend, Khar, Rs. 200; Srimati Parvatibai Ruttonsey, Rs. 200; Mr R. T. Thadani Rs. 150; Dr. B. C. Das Gupta Rs. 101; Mr. Ala Pocha Rs. 100; Mr. U. S. Desai Rs. 100; Sri Keshariaj Maharaj Rs. 100; Mr G. G. Desai Rs. 100; Seth Zaveri Manilal Mohanlal Rs. 100; Seth Jivraj Makanji, Rs. 100; Messrs Harjivandas Gordhandas & Co 100; Mr. Mohanlal Prabhudas Parikh Rs. 100; Messrs. Arjun Khimji & Co. Rs. 100; Mr. A. B Lawson Rs. 100; Mr E. M. Billimoria Rs. 100; Mr. J. N. Banerjee Rs. 100. Several donations below Rs. 100 have also been received.

The Mission has been working over an extensive area of all the three districts of Bengal and Orissa relieving at present about 250 villages. We therefore, appeal to the generous public for their help. Any contribution in cash or kind (particularly new clothes) will be most thankfully acknowledged by the President, Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama, Khar, Bombay 21, or the Treasurer Mr. F. J. Ginwalla, Solicitor, 107, Esplanade Road or the Secretary, D M. Daru, Solicitor, Ali Chambers Modi St., Fort Bombay.

SAN FRANCISCO.—A new world record was set up at a west-coast shipbuilding yard when a 10,500 ton cargo ship was completed and had sailed carrying full load, fourteen days one hour and nine minutes after the keel had been laid.

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INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, Nov. 30.

Tata Ordinary 370; Tata Deferred 1780; Indian Iron 34/6; Steel Corporation of Bengal 24/6; Bombay Dyeing 1725; Central India 397/8; Century 628/4; Gokak 363/12; Kohinoor 643/12; Simplex 272; Andhra Valley 1785; Tata Hydro 186/4; Tata Power 1685; Associated Cement 201/8; Belapur 234/6; Bombay Burma (old) 392/8.

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, Nov. 30.

The local market opened firm at Rs. 406 for I.C.C. January and declined to Rs. 402/8 on long liquidation. At this level there appeared moderate support and prices rallied to Rs. 404/8.

Later on there was active professional buying and prices advanced to Rs. 415 but reacted to Rs. 410/8 on realising. The market was firm with active support from Bull operators.

GOVT. SECURITIES

Bombay, Nov. 30.

2 3/4 per cent 1948/52 Loan 98/15
3 1/2 per cent G P Notes 94/1
3 per cent 1949/52 100/3
3 per cent 1951/54 Loan 99/14
3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan 103/6
3 per cent 1963/65 Loan 95/8
4 per cent 1943 Bonds 102/1
4 per cent 1960/70 Loan 110/2
4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 Loan 114/8
3 per cent 1948 Def Loan 102/10

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5 per cent 1945/55 Loan 109/2
4 per cent 1955/53 Mysore 116/8
5 per cent 1955 Mysore 127/8

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5 per cent M Deb 1954 127
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New York, Nov. 30.

Previous closing 4.03 3/4
To-day's opening ..... not received

T T LONDON ON NEW YORK

London, Nov. 30.

Previous closing 4.02 1/2 sellers; 4.03 1/2 buyers.
To-day's opening 4.02 1/2 sellers; 4.03 1/2 buyers.
To-day's closing 4.02 1/2 sellers; 4.03 1/2 buyers.

LONDON COMMODITIES

SEEDS

London, Nov. 30.

Castorseeds Bombay November/December (£29 quoted) £28 1/2 quoted
Linseed Calcutta November/December (£23 quoted) £23 quoted
Linseed La Plata November/December unquoted
Groundnuts Coromandal November/December East Coast Indian shipment (£24 1/2 quoted) £24 West Coast Indian shipment (£25quoted) £25 quoted

LONDON METALS

Electric Copper (£62) £62
Lead (£25) £25
Glasgow Iron No 3 (131 sh.) 131 sh.

LONDON BULLION

LONDON GOLD

London, Nov. 30.

London Gold (£8-8-0) £8-8-0

LONDON SILVER

London, Nov 30

Spot (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d
Forward (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d

CROSS RATES

London, Nov. 30.

London on Bombay (1-5 1/32 sellers 1-5 31/32 buyers) 1-5 1/32 sellers 1-5 31/32 buyers
New York on Bombay (30.36) 30.36

DISCOUNTS

3 months (1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent) 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent
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LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Nov. 30.

The Stock Exchange was quiet to-day.

3½ PER CENT STERLING LOAN

London, Nov. 30.

3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed to-day at £100 3/4

AUSTRALIAN LOAN

5 per cent Commonwealth £101 1/2 Ex Div

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent British Consols £82
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan £106 9/16
3 per cent Conversion Loan £100 3/8
4 per cent War Loan £113 9/16
3 1/2 per cent War Loan £104 3/8
3 per cent War Loan £102
4 per cent Victory Bonds £114

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors 22-10 1/2
Marks and Spencer Ordinary 45-1 1/2
Electric Music Industry 17-6
Princhin Johnson 29-9
Imperial Chemical 36-3
Woolsworth Ordinary 59-0
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rate £80
Dunlop Rubber 33-9
Unilever Ordinary 34-0
Ford Motors 31-3
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary £75 3/4
British American Tobacco Ordy £4 7/8
Carrears 'A' £6 1/8
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary £6 31/32
P and O Defd 34-9
Distillers 82-9
Bredford Dyers 15-3
British Celanese 16-3
J and P Coates 41-3
Courtaulds Ordinary 44-1 1/2
Fine Cotton Spinners 16-7 1/2
Vickers Limited Ordinary 18-6
Inter Nickels 45 3/4
Indian Iron 46-9

TEA SHARES

Assam 19-0
Donaro Tea 34-0
Empire of India 19-6

JUTE

Barnagore £5

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo Dutch Rubber 15-0
Gula Kelampong 11-0
Rubber Plant 20-0

BOMBAY STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, Nov. 30

The local Share bazar was again steady to firm with moderate support. Cotton Mills shares were expected to halt the upward trend as a result of re-opening of Ahmedabad Mills but prices continue to reach new high levels on persistent buying as cloth demand continues much above the production. The scheme for the proposed production of the standard cloth will result in some sacrifice of profits. However as long the cloth demand remains unchecked, share quotations will register further advances, although present quotations are high enough. The market is now taking more interest in Tata Steel shares where considerable buying was seen. Tata Steel Defds opened at Rs. 1730 and advanced to Rs. 1762. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 362 and hardened to Rs. 372. Bombay Dyeing shares were steady at Rs. 1725 and Century Mill shares were quoted at Rs. 632.

TEXTILE SECTION

Ahmedabad Advance 412/8; Bharat Mills 82; Bombay Dyeing 1712/8; Central India 400; Century 628; Colaba Land 240; Dawn 1060; E. D. Sassoon 3/9; Finlay 325/8; Gokak 363; Hindustan 3450; Indian Manfg 3500; Indian Bleaching 237; Indore Malwa 810; Khatau 341/14; Kohinoor 646; Lakshmi 1186/4; Madhowji 23; Minerva 180; Model Nagpur 350; Morarji 620; Mysore 127/8; New Great 370; Phoenix 675; Podar Mills 290; Sassoon Silk 108; Sholapur 8350; Simplex 273/8; Svadeshi 451/8; Swan 309; Tata Mills 61/8; Vishnu 2225; Western India 2650.

INSURANCE SECTION

Bombay Life 162/8; Empire Life 670; Indian Mercantile 70; Industrial and Prudential 34; Jupiter 17/2; New India 68; Oriental 4410; Vulcan 11/4.

HYDRO & ELECTRIC SECTION

Ahmedabad 193/12; Ajmere 13/12; Andhra Valley ord 1777/8; Bombay Tram ord 143/8; Bombay Suburban 175; Broach 13; Karachi 220; Poona 240; Surat 185; Surat New Rs. 50 Pd. Prem. 70; Tata Hydro ord 187; Tata Power ord 1675.

BANK SECTION

Bank of India 156; Baroda 127/12; Bombay Provincial 52; Central Bank 56/4; Imperial F P 1655; Imperial P P 412/8; Reserve 105/12; Union 7/8

PREFERENCE SHARES

7 per cent Andhra Valley 1580; 5 per cent Bombay Steam 330; 7 per cent Bombay Tram 79; 5 per cent Central India 670; 6 1/2 per cent Jupiter 16; 6 1/2 per cent Surat 192/8; 6 1/4 per cent Prem Const 1st 120; 6 1/4 per cent Prem Const 2nd 121/4; 6 per cent Tata I. and S. 1st 210; 7 1/2 per cent Tata I. & S. 2nd 142/8; 7 per cent Tata Hydro 165; 7 1/2 per cent Tata Power 1525; 7 per cent Vishnu 770.

DEBENTURES

4 per cent Andhra Valley 104/12; 4 per cent Tata Pewer 105; 6 per cent Sholapur

The Half-Column By "Dim"

A few days ago we read that Madame Chiang-kai Shek was in a hospital in the U.S. This is, of course, sad news and we sincerely hope that the First Lady of China will soon recover to be able to continue to play her part in her country's struggle against aggression. But this is wartime and one has to read even news very, very cautiously. Although it may be that this news is only what it is on the surface, Madame Chiang's visit to U. S. A. follows too closely upon Mr. Willkie's visit and I would not be surprised that she will also play the role of Ambassadress to Washington. Watch for news from that angle —even though my guess may be a little fantastic.

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The "Daily Express" political correspondent tells us that Linlithgow's successor as Viceroy will be announced soon and that the appointment will be a surprise. There is a further line to say that further changes in Government may result. Although no appointment as Viceroy will surprise this country, it is relevant that it will cause FURTHER changes in Goyernment. If this report is correct, it means that one of Churchill's trusted men in the Cabinet is coming to India. Which man is fairly obvious!

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This war seems to make strange people sentimental. Who would have thought a day would ever come when Churchill and Stalin would be sending each other congratulatory telegrams! But even that is possible in a world-war. When Britain and Russia came together as Allies, Churchill said: "I will not unsay one word I have said about Bolshevism...." Are we to believe that Churchill still stands by that?

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MONEY MARKET

Bombay, Nov. 30

LONDON—
Banks buying 90 Days/St 1/6 9/32 Two Months
Banks buying 90 Days/St. 1/6 5/16 Three Months
Banks buying 90 Days/St 1/6 5/16 Four Months
B. C. Rates T T 1/5 15/16 D D 1/5 15/16
Banks selling T T 1-5 31/32 D D 1-5 31/32
Banks buying T T 1/6 1/32 D D 1/6 5/32
LONDON/NEW YORK—
Banks selling T T Rs. 332 3/4 D D Rs. 332 3/4
Banks buying T T Rs. 329 1/2 D D Rs. 326 1/2
LONDON/MONTREAL—
Banks selling T T Rs. 302 1/2 D D Rs. 302 1/2
Banks buying T T Rs. 297 3/4 D D Rs. 294 3/4
LONDON/BERNE—
Banks selling T T Fcs 126 3/4
Banks buying T T Fcs 131 1/2
LONDON/STOCKHOLM—
Banks selling T T K 123 D D K 123
Banks buying T T K 128 D D K 128
MEXICO/LONDON—
Banks selling T T Rs 67.27 D D Rs. 66.27
Banks buying T T Rs 65.04 D D Rs 62.04
LISBON/LONDON—
Banks selling T T Esc 7.35 nom. D D Esc 7.35 nom
Banks buying T T Esc 7.55 D D Esc 7.55
AUSTRALIA/LONDON—
Banks selling T T 1/10 3/8 D D 1/10 3/8
Banks buying T T — D D 1/11 3/8
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Steady.
Gold £8-8-0 Ready
New York Silver 44 3/4
London Silver 23 1/2 Ready 23 1/2 Forward
London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent
London Discounts 6 months 1 1/8 per cent
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent
Money:—Call and 1 to 3 months not quoting.
4 to 6 months 1/4 per cent
7 to 12 months 1/2 per cent
Tone:—Very easy.

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay, Nov. 30.

The local bullion market was quietly steady with a moderate turnover. Ready silver was quoted at Rs. 109/8 and forward business was done at Rs. 106/10. Ready gold was quoted at Rs 65/10

Rs. 64 Pd 72/12; 5 per cent Marsland Price 113/8; 5 per cent Tata Chemical 155.

RAILWAY SECTION

Ahmedabad Prantej 930; Central Provinces 110; Dhond Baramati 105; Gujarat 106; Hoshiarpur Doab 97; Mandra Rhon 108/8; Mymensing Rebate 104; Mymensing Gtd. 105; Pachora Jamner 98; Sara Sirajganj 102; Sialkot Narowal 115; Sialkot New 48/8; Sind Light 76; Upper Sind Light 114.

MISCELLANEOUS SECTION

Alembic Chemical 300; Alcock Ashdown 585; Associated Cement 202/8; B. B. Petrol 2/8; Belsugar 234; Bombay Burma Old 393/12; Bombay Burma New 133/12; Bombay Steam 455; Indian Radio ord 367; Indian Radio defd 370; Invest Trust 56; Prem Const 145; Port Canning 89/8; Scindia 36/7; Shivrajpur 58; Tata ord 372; Tata defd 1780; Tata Chemical 21/13; Tata Oil 77/8; Wimco 315; Burma Corporation 3/6; B. I. C. ord 6/4; Indian Copper 2/7 1/2; Indian Iron 34/6; Steel Corporation of Bengal 24/14; New Victoria ord 8/13.

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WAR TO END IN TWO STAGES?

Premier's Tribute To Russia

CHURCHILL INDICATES INVASION OF CONTINENT WITH AFRICA AS BASE

LONDON, November 30.

In a broadcast to the nation and the world last night Mr. Churchill said: I know of nothing that has happened yet which justifies the hope that the war will not be long or that bitter and bloody years do not lie ahead.

It may well be that the war in Europe will come to an end before the war in Asia. The Atlantic may be calm while in the Pacific the hurricane rises to its full pitch.

If events should take such a course we should of course bring all our forces to the aid of the United States and our kith and kin in Australia and New Zealand in the struggle against the aggressions of the Japanese."

The following is the text of his speech.

"Two Sundays ago all bells rang to celebrate the victory of our desert army at Alamein. Here was a martial episode in British history which deserved special recognition.

But the bells also carried with their clashing joyous peals our thanksgiving that in spite of all our errors and shortcomings we have been brought to the frontiers of deliverance.

We have not reached them yet. But we are becoming ever more entitled to be sure that the awful perils which might well have blotted out our life and all that we have and cherish, will be surmounted and that we shall be preserved for further service in the vanguard of mankind.

We have to look back along the patch we have trod, these last three years of toil and strife, to value properly all we have escaped and all we have achieved.

No mood of boastfulness, of vain glory, of overconfidence, must cloud our minds, but I think we have the right which history will endorse to feel that we have the honour to play a part in saving the freedom and future of the world.

That wonderful association of states and races, spread all over the globe called the British Empire or the British Commonwealth if you will—I do not quarrel about it—and above all our small island stood in the gap all alone in the deadly hour. Here we stood firm though all was drifting.

Throughout the British Empire not one community faltered. All round was very dark.

GOOD CAUSE PROSPERS

Here we kept the light burning which now spreads broadly over the vast array of the United Nations. That is why it was right to ring out bells and lift our heads for a moment in gratitude and in relief before we turned again to grim and probably long ordeals which lie before us and to the exacting tasks upon which we are engaged.

Since we rang the bells for Alamein the good cause has prospered. The Eighth Army has advanced nearly 400 miles driving before them in rout and ruin the powerful forces with which Rommel boasted, and Hitler and Mussolini believed, that Egypt would be conquered.

ANOTHER SERIOUS BATTLE MAY BE IMPENDING AT THE ENTRANCE TO TRIPOLITANIA.

I make it a rule not to prophesy about battles before they are fought. Everyone must try to realise the immense distances over which the North African war ranges and the enormous labours and self-denial of the troops who press forward relentlessly 20, 30, 40 and sometimes 50 miles in a single day.

I will say no more than that we may have the greatest confidence in Generals Alexander and Montgomery and in our soldiers and airmen who have at last begun to come into their own.

ASTONISHING SUCCESS

At the other side of Africa a thousand miles or more to the westward the tremendous joint undertaking of the United States and Britain which was fraught with so many hazards has also been crowned with astonishing success.

This majestic enterprise is under the direction and responsibility of the President of the United States and our first British Army is serving under the orders of the American Commander-in-Chief General Eisenhower.

Behind all lies the power of the Royal Navy to which is joined the powerful American fleet, the whole under the command of Admiral Cunningham and all subordinated to the Allied Commander-in-Chief.

For every transport or supply ship we have lost a U-boat has been sunk or severely damaged.

For every ton of Anglo-American shipping lost so far in this expedition we have gained perhaps two tons in shipping required or recovered in the French harbours of North and West Africa.

Thus in this respect, as Napoleon recommended, war has been made to support war.

HEALTHY COMPETITION

General Alexander times his battle at Alamein to suit exactly this great stroke from the west in order that his victory should encourage friendly countries to preserve their strict neutrality and also to rally the French forces in North West Africa to a full sense of their duty and their opportunity.

Now at this moment the first British army is striking hard at the last remaining footholds of the Germans and Italians in Tunisia.

But Africa is no halting place. It is not the seat but the springboard. WE SHALL USE AFRICA TO COME TO CLOSE GRIPS.

But there is another advantage to be gained by the mastery of the North African shore. We open air battle upon a new front.

To bring relief to the tortured world there must be the maximum possible air fighting.

ALREADY THE GERMAN AIR FORCE IS A WASTING ASSET. Their new construction is not keeping pace with their losses. Their front line is weakening both in numbers and on the whole in quality.

British, American and Russian air forces, already together far larger, are growing steadily. British and United States expansion in 1943 will be, to put it mildly, well worth watching.

All we need is more frequent opportunities of contact. The new air front which the Americans and also the Royal Air Force are deploying along the Mediterranean shore ought to give us these extra opportunities abundantly in 1943.

Thirdly our operations in French North Africa should enable us to bring the weight of war home to the Italian Fascist State in a manner not hitherto dreamed of by its guilty leaders or still less by the unfortunate people Mussolini has led, exploited and disgraced.

DUCE'S TREACHERY

But Mussolini could not resist the temptation of stabbing prostrate France and what he thought was helpless Britain in the back.

Mad dreams of imperial glory, lust of conquest and of booty and the arrogance of long unbridled tyranny led him to his fatal shameful act.

In vain I warned him. He would not harken. On deaf ears and stony heart fell the wise far-seeing appeals of the American President. The Hyena in his nature broke all bounds of decency and even common sense.

To-day his Empire is gone. We have over 100 Italian generals and nearly 300,000 of his soldiers in our hands as prisoners of war.

Agony grips the fair land of Italy. This is only the beginning and what is there to show for it.

HEROISM OF RUSSIA

The successes in Africa, swift and decisive as they have been, MUST NOT DIVERT OUR ATTENTION FROM THE PRODIGIOUS BLOWS WHICH RUSSIA IS STRIKING ON THE EASTERN FRONT. All the world wonders at the giant strength which Russia has been able to conserve and to apply.

The invincible defence of Stalingrad is matched by the commanding military leadership of Stalin. When I was leaving the Kremlin in the middle of August I said to Premier Stalin, 'when we have decisively defeated Rommel in Egypt I will send you telegram'; and he replied, 'When we make our counter-offensive here' and he drew an arrow on the map 'I will send you one.' Both messages have duly arrived.

The jaws of another Russian winter are closing on Hitler's armies. One hundred and eighty German divisions, many of them reduced to little more than brigades by the slaughters and privations, they have suffered, together with a host of miserable Italians, Rumanians and Hungarians dragged from their homes by a maniac's fantasy—all these as they reel back from the fire and steel of the avenging Soviet armies must prepare themselves with weakened forces and with added pangs for a second dose of what they got last year.

It was foreseen when we were planning a descent upon North Africa that this would bring about immediate reactions in France. I never had the slightest doubt myself that Hitler would break the Armistice, overrun all France and try to capture the French fleet at Toulon.

Such developments were to be welcomed by the United Nations because they entailed the extinction for all practical purposes of the sorry farce and fraud of the Vichy Government.

This was a necessary prelude to that reunion of France without which resurrection was impossible. We have taken a long step towards that unity. The artificial division between occupied territory has been swept away.

In France all Frenchmen are equally under the German yoke and will learn to hate it with equal intensity. Abroad all Frenchmen will fire at the common enemy. We may be sure that after what has happened the ideals and spirit of what we have called 'Fighting France' will exercise a dominating influence upon the whole French nation.

I agree with General De Gaulle that the last scales of deception have now fallen from the eyes of the French people. Indeed, it was time.

WAR MAY END IN EUROPE

Then facing facts—ugly facts as well as encouraging facts—undaunted we shall learn to use victory as a spur to further effort and make good fortune the means of gaining more. This much only will I say about the future and I say it with an acute consciousness of the fallibility of my own judgment. It may well be that the war in Europe will come to an end before the war in Asia.

The Atlantic may be calm while in the Pacific the hurricane rises to its full pitch. If events should take such a course we should at once bring all our forces to the other side of the world to the aid of the United States, to the aid of China and above all to the aid of our kith and kin in Australia and New Zealand, in their valiant struggle against the aggressions of Japan.

While we were thus engaged in the Far East we should be sitting with the United States and Russia and those of the United Nations concerned, shaping international instruments and national settlements, which must be devised if the free life of Europe is ever to rise again and if the fearful quarrels which have rent European civilisation are to be prevented from once more disturbing the progress of the world.

It seems to me that should the war end thus—in two stages—there will be a far higher sense of comradeship around the council table than existed among the victors at Versailles.

HOPE FOR BETTER WORLD

Then the danger had passed away. The common bond between the Allies had snapped. There was no sense of corporate responsibility such as exists when victorious nations who are masters of one vast scene are most of them still waging war side by side in another.

I should hope, therefore, that we shall be able to make better solutions, more far-reaching, more lasting, of the problems of Europe at the end of this war than was possible a quarter of a century ago. It is not much use pursuing these speculations further at this time, for no one can possibly know what the state of Europe or of the world will be when Nazi and Fascist tyrannies have been finally broken.

The dawn of 1943 will soon loom red before us and we must brace ourselves to cope with the trials and problems of what must be a stern and terrible year. We do so with the assurance of ever growing strength and as a nation with a strong will, bold heart and good conscience."

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